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Resignation of Herrmann Should Eliminate One Serious Problem Confronting Baseball

National Commission Head Anxious to Aid Harmony

Several Named as Possible Successors, Including "Big Bill" Edwards, Judge Landis and J. H. Farrell; Minors Hope for Some Sort of Agreement

By W. J. Macbeth

A serious problem—though perhaps in a minor one in view of the big fight in the American League-that confronts organized baseball will be eliminated by the promised resignation of August Herrmann as chairman of the National Baseball Commission at the annual meeting of that body in Cincinnati next month.

Mr. Herrmann, who has been chaired and of the Supreme Court of baseball ever since peace was established between the National and American leagues back in 1903 which settlement laid the groundwork for the present system of organized baseball, promises to retire provided ten of the sixteen major league club owners are still opposed to his holding the office. All seven rival National League magnates favor his withdrawal, while the three American League clubs opposed to Ban Johnson present a solid front against his fellow commissioner. A change of heart in no quarter can be expected if the immediate future regardless of the American League situation.

Mr. Hermann himself is convinced of the fact that it would be to the best interests of the game for him to lay aside his office with the commission. He frankly declares his belief that a chairman should not be president of a major league ball club. That Mr. Herrmann, who has been chair-

that a chairman should not be president of a major league ball club. That he has braved the fight to oust him so far was a matter of personal pride and a sense of duty. Mr. Herrmann believes himself thoroughly conversant so far was a matter of personal pride and a sense of duty. Mr. Herrmann believes himself thoroughly conversant with a delicate baseball situation; he appears to doubt the qualifications of any prospective successor.

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Certainly enough candidates for his office have been mentioned. From William Howard Taft, who was considered seriously a year ago, but who declined the honor, the list has run the gamut down to some of the obscure politicians of the game. The office demands a character of rare stability combined with fine judicial potse. This fact is appreciated at last by the owners of major league franchises who no doubt stand ready to make the remuneration fit the calibre of the man sought.

Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis, of Chicago, and William Edwards, Collecteor of Internal Revenue, this city, might either one of them have the job at a fitting salary if he cared to accept. The sporting public would place implicit faith in the fairness and judgment of either of these men. It is a question yet to be determined, of course, whether either would care to accept the National Commission chairmanship under any conditions.

Another figure of national standing some of the magnates are said to have under very serious consideration is John H. Farrell, secretary of the National Association. He should be well out alified by experience for the office. He stands at present with relation to major leagues baseball. Mr. Farrell is thoroughly conversant with every phase of the situation and particularly versed with minor league conditions.

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Mainor Leagues. He also conducted the affairs of the Giants under the administration of the late John T. Brush. He will assume his duties at once.

Childs Gunners Unbeaten

The Evander Childs sub-target rifle the experiment of operating independently from the majors. It proved a bitter experience for the circuits below Class A rating. Draft by major league clubs was considered a handi-

Once the American League row is straightened out—and this happy situation is bound to come eventually even through court action—the two major leagues are likely to work in closer harmony than ever before.

It has come to be realized that friendly rivalry between the two is the very greatest stimulus to the game. The National League showed a fine spirit of sportsmanship at its meeting last week. It offered to hold its apring schedule meeting wherever it might be decided the American League club owners would meet.

The friendly relations between the two major leagues entail many details

When a Feller Needs a Friend



Chief Short Event At Larchmont Y. C.

Sydney Duffy won the high handi-Larchmont Yacht Club yesterday. He took the trophy from a field of six-As Secretary of Giants teen gunners only after an interesting shoot off against Hohn Andresen.

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	Sydney Duffy	5	40	
H	John C. Andreson	5.3	4.0	
4	E. H. Peabody	50	4.0	
	A. W. Fitzgerald	5.3	24	
	T. J. McCahill		0	
ш	J. S. Turnbull		40	
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	II. E. West		4	
	J. N. Hyman		5.0	
	F. W. Hoyt			
	10. M. Dalley		20	
	F. A. Moore		40	
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	N. Mogargee	2.8	40	
8	I. K. Bonner	3.2	20	
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и	Eydney Duffy		10	
я	John Andreson		10	

Sydney Duffy Wins Colgate-Dartmouth Football Game Next Season in Doubt cteams of the league stand for this?

Hanoverians Seem Unwilling to Make Hamilton
Trip; Schedule Changes

rounded, sensible list which will draw hearty endorsement from the alumni. The talk of Harvard playing double-headers, however, shouldn't be taken too scriously. It is possible, but hardly probable.

Charles A. Stoneham, president of the situation and particularly versed with minor leagues, by the way, are a growing care to organized baseball and particularly to the majors just now. The wave of properity that carried the National and American circuits to the crest financially in the season past did not reach into the damper of the lows are mutally dependent on one after a mother. It is in the sticks that budding talent first gets its opportunity to develop. If the small minors were

League. The recent meeting only seems to have intensified the bitterness and increased the breach between the two factions. It is very easy to dismiss the thing by saying that the fans are not interested in the bickerings of the magnates. As a rule they are not. But this thing will have to be threshed out for the sake of the stability of baseball. New York baseball fans are interested to this extent, they

want to see this row end it the checking of influences which they believe

are against the development of a winning ball club for New York in the

Ban Johnson and the men who are backing him are withholding the third place .noney which belongs to the members of the New York American League Baseball Club. This in itself is poor sportsmanship. It is prolonging the quarrel and widening the breach. Getting back to the cause of it all, Pitcher Carl Mays he was not worth the row. But the fantastic? owners of the Yankees were convinced that there would have been no opposition by Ban Johnson if Mays had not involved the Boston and

It has developed in many hearings that Johnson has been permitted to run the league practically as he pleased. It is not businesslike, but shirts? it is freely admitted that Johnson did do a great deal of good for the league and for baseball. Also it must be admitted that he did the game more than passing harm because of the overbearing attitude he assumed old? at times, especially during the fight with the Federal League. His methods in this fight resulted in the loss of a damage suit, which has since been evening studs and links.

I am convinced that it was Johnson's vanity and his desire to hold the dictatorship of the league that prevented some sort of settlement at the last meeting of the league. It would be unfair to attempt to lay the blame of the split in the league at the doors of the owners of the Yankees. fords. Canes. White gloves. They are fighting to protect their property and to have an equal chance White waistcoat. Silk to build up a winning team in New York City. I am convinced that they have the backing of the New York fans.

Herrmann Ready to Resign

UGUST HERRMANN has announced that he will resign as chairman of the National Baseball Commission in a month, whether his successor is elected by that time or not. Garry has does nothing to create enemies, and he is a genial enough soul, but he did not fit in that position, and he had good sense to realize it. In that Garry shows more sense and discernment than certain other magnates.

The election of a new chairman of the national commission is a matter that vitally concerns baseball. So much money has come into the game that it is threatened by all sorts of evils. The new chairman must have good common sense, first of all, and must have the welfare of wish for - flexible flyers, the game at heart. He must have the ferce and the personality to bring bicycles, skates, skis, tobogtogether the warring forces within and to keep off the enemies from

At the present writing the friends of "Big Bill" Edwards are making a strong bid for the former Princeton football star. Big Bill is a diplomat and certainly is a fighter when fighting is necessary. I think that the thing for camping, magnates might do a lot worse than pick "Big Bill."

Phillies and Athletics Parasites

NE of the matters that concern baseball is the attitude of the Phil- at 13th St. adelphia baseball magnates to the game in general. At the current writing both Baker and Mack seem to be content with the rôle of parasites. Neither the Phillies nor the Athletics seem to be making any efforts to strengthen their trams. Will they be content to live on the other teams in their league, as they have been doing, and will the other

Mack wrecked the greatest baseball machine the game ever knew, believing that he could build up another. Baker, on the start of the World War, flew into a panic and sold half of his team when he disposed of Alexander. He dropped Pat Moran, the manager, and would have left him flat and jobless if John McGraw had not taken him up and then released him when he was offered the Cincinnati opportunity. Naturally, the Philadelphia fans are not enthusiastic over the owners of the two Philadelphia teams. The Quaker City may not be able to revive interest in baseball until it gets a new set of owners for the teams.

Selfishness and Football Coaches

THE Western universities have adopted the system of numbering their football players. One of the best known Western coaches who dropped in for a chat the other day said, "It's only the selfishness of a few coaches that prevents the numbering of players in the East. They seem to think that it helps to give away some of their strategy. That's all bosh. It real winter weather, made the shooting

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met on the gridiron, but the signing of "Jack" Suherland and Fred ("Pud")
Se'del, former Pitt athletes, to coach the Lafayette eleven again has paved the way for the opening of relations on the gridiron.

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Jewelry! A new set of Silk hat and a leather hat

box to go with it. Dancing pumps and ox-

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Fitted bags, dressing gowns, house coats, lined gloves, knitted jackets, silk pajamas, steamer rugs, silver belt buckles.

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Spotts Winner Of Chief Prize At the Traps

High Winds Keep Scores Down in Shoot of the New York Athletic Club

High winds that brought a touch of of the New York Athletic Club anything but ideal yesterday. As a result, the scores were not particularly high, the high scratch prize going to former national champion R. L. Spotts, with a card of 91 out of a possible 100 targets. He also was the only nimrod who had a straight string in any of the shoots. This occurred in the shoot for the President's Cup. The high handicap prize went to R. B. Sloan. A scratch special was annexed by Dr. G. H. Martin and a handicap special was taken by A. Rowland. A leg on the Buerneyer Cup was credited to R. L. Spotts, who was high gun in the event with a total of 47 out of a possible 50 scratch targets. with a card of 91 out of a possible of a possible 50 scratch targets.
As usual, full scores of 25 targets
won legs on the Tournament, Byronel,

President's and Lyon cups.
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